

RESOLUTION – Gulf Coast Water Authority

WHEREAS, the Gulf Coast Water Authority owns and operates the American, Briscoe, and Juliff Canal Systems which includes 400 miles of main-line canals and laterals, and about 400,000 ac-ft of water rights providing water for industry, agriculture, and municipalities in Brazoria, Fort Bend, and Galveston Counties; and

WHEREAS, Gulf Coast Water Authority provides water to Fort Bend County municipal customers consisting of Sugar Land, Pearland, and Missouri City as well as Fort Bend WCID No. 2 and Pecan Grove M.U.D.; and

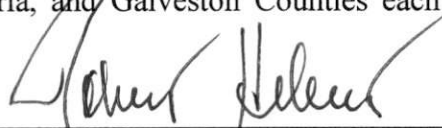
WHEREAS, approximately 18,000 acres of commercial and hybrid seed rice are irrigated annually in Brazoria and Galveston Counties as well as a rice research facility located outside Alvin, Brazoria County, Texas which world-wide technology for the rice industry; and

WHEREAS, the Gulf Coast Water Authority Board of Directors consists of nine members. Each director is appointed for two-year terms with seven members appointed by the Galveston County Commissioners Court, one member appointed by the Brazoria County Commissioners Court, and one member appointed by the Fort Bend County Commissioners Court; and


WHEREAS, residents of Fort Bend and Brazoria Counties rely heavily upon the water from Gulf Coast Water Authority for their municipal supply of water to individual residences and businesses, farming and industrial facilities, and are entitled to equal representation on said Board; and

WHEREAS, a balanced Board would encourage cooperation and equal representation of all counties and its residents and prevent any one county from making all decisions for the three counties.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Commissioners Court of Fort Bend County, on this the 3 day of March, 2015, hereby supports equalization of the Gulf Coast Water Authority Board of Directors so that Fort Bend, Brazoria, and Galveston Counties each have equal representation for the best interest of each county.



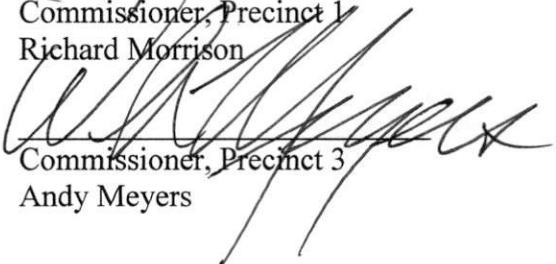
County Judge Robert E. Hebert



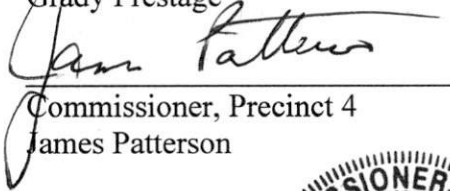
Commissioner, Precinct 1
Richard Morrison



Commissioner, Precinct 2
Grady Prestage



Commissioner, Precinct 3
Andy Meyers



Commissioner, Precinct 4
James Patterson

ATTEST:


County Clerk, Laura Richard

